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*Ken Allen*

You will have had a signal from [redacted] telling you that John Campbell, whom you met for a moment or two when you were last in England, is taking over from me on Monday, 20th July, and on this - my last day in the office - I write to take my leave of you.

There is not much that I can say that I have not said before except to thank you for the magnificent co-operation that you and all your people have given during the short time that I have been here. You could not possibly have been more considerate and helpful, and it has made working with you as easy and pleasant as it could have been. I hope you will long continue to direct affairs, but whoever are the individuals concerned I am sure the co-operation will continue, and I know that my successor is inheriting something which I shall be very sorry to lose.

I fear the chances of meeting in the future are rather remote but I shall certainly want to know when you come over to England next time, and I daresay I shall be able to find an excuse for coming at the same time *to London*.

*Yours ever  
Dickens Marriott*

R.D. Marriott